

mittee, and filed for reference.

3rd. The report of the Relief Inspector, distributing \$46 cash and 1½ cords of wood to the poor of the following Wards, was adopted, viz: Ward No. 1, \$2; Ward No. 2, \$13; Ward No. 3, \$8 and 1 cord of wood; Ward No. 4, \$2; Ward No. 5, \$3; Ward No. 6, \$14 and ½ cord of wood; Ward No. 7, \$4. Total, \$46 and 1½ cords of wood.

4th. Your committee would recommend the appointment of Dr. Wilkinson to the position of House Surgeon, and that a by law be prepared, confirming the appointment and stipulating his duties.

On motion, the report was considered in Committee of the Whole, Ald. Campbell in the chair.

Clause 1 (accounts) passed, after the Chairman had explained in reference to the \$10 paid Mr. Nelles. Clauses 2, 3 and 4 passed without discussion.

The committee then rose and reported. On motion to adopt—

Ald. Gray moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the name of Dr. Payne be inserted in the 4th clause instead of Dr. Wilkinson, at a salary of \$600.

A vote was taken and the original motion—to adopt the report—was carried.

Ald. Partridge, sr., chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works:

Your Committee, having examined the petition of Mr J Bonser and others, it was moved and seconded that the petition of Mr. Bonser, relative to keeping of a road and spring of water on the riverbank, be granted.

The petition of the Orphans' Home and other educational buildings was taken up, and, after the members discussing the matter. It was moved and seconded that this Board recommend the Council to appropriate the sum of \$600 for oak sidewalk, 6 feet wide, on the west side of Richmond street, from Oxford to Grosvenor; thence from Grosvenor to Cheap-side on the east side of Richmond street.

On motion, the report was considered in committee of the whole, Ald. Fitzgerald in the chair.

Clause 1 read.

On motion, Mr. Bonser and Mr. Joyce were heard in reference to the matter.

Moved by Ald. Thompson, seconded by Ald. Ross, that the clause be referred back to the Board of Works, and that a

proper map be laid before the Council. Carried.

Clause 2 read.

Ald. Minhinnick moved, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the clause be struck out.

The amendment was lost and the clause adopted.

The committee rose and reported, and on motion to adopt—

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the second clause of the report be struck out. Carried.

The report was then adopted as amended.

Ald. Sutherland reported verbally in reference to the refusal of the building on the Park grounds by the 7th band.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and would recommend the payment of the same:—Pay sheet for city officials, \$2,345; City Hospital account for August, \$434.20; City Hospital account for September, \$462.64; incidental expenses, \$23.50; interest to Dalton on purchase of lot on ordinance land, \$152.19; Board of Health, \$3; Park Committee, \$10; Waterworks, expenses of delegates to Hamilton and Toronto, \$40; Police Station, \$16.10; relief account, \$41.10; Fire Department, \$407.46; Free Press Printing Co., \$102.85; J. Cameron & Co., account for printing, \$304.26; E. A. Taylor, stationery, \$19.39; Reid & Anderson, \$32.75. Total, \$4,394.44.

Ald. Hiscox gave notice that he would at next meeting move that the by-law appointing the tax collectors be repealed.

By Ald. Browne—I hereby give notice that I will, at the next meeting of this Council, move that the first clause of the by-law relating to the appointment of the visiting staff to the City Hospital be amended as follows: "And that all other legally authorized medical practitioners in the city be allowed the privilege of attending any patient that may require their services (if they are willing to attend), or that they may send to said Hospital as paying patients, subject to the rules and regulations of the said Hospital other than what the above-named medical men are called upon to do by virtue of their appointment as a voluntary staff."

The Council then adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Oct. 29th, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Sutherland, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Regan, Minhinnick, Browne, Rapley, Jones, Christie, Egan, Partridge, sr., Skinner, Ross, Murray, McNab, Boyd, Partridge, jr., Williams, Hiscox.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Mrs. Chisholm, for free use of Hall on the evening of Nov. 9th, to hold annual meeting of Protestant Orphans' Home. Granted.

From Mrs. Hibbert, to deepen a drain on Horton street. Referred to Board of Works, with power.

From Thos. Joyce and others, relative to broken front on Thames street. Referred to Board of Works.

From A. F. Appleton, for permission to repair frame shed within fire limits. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From Wm. Somerville, for leave to allow new frame building to remain in rear of Robinson Hall. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From David Smith to move a frame cottage a few feet on Lichfield street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From E. B. Reed for free use of hall on Nov. 29th for purpose of holding public temperance meeting. Granted.

From G. Allen, pathmaster, London township, asking Council to defray half expenses incurred in putting down a culvert, etc., on Huron street, on the boundary. Referred to Board of Works.

From A. Castellani, for permission to erect moveable fruit stand on Richmond street. Referred to Fire, Water & Gas Committee.

From Wm. Robinson, City Engineer, stating that a new furnace was needed under the Council Chamber, cost to be between \$210 and \$230. Referred to Board of Works.

From Lewis Adams and others, relative to broken front on Thames street. Referred to Board of Works.

From W. T. Williams, Chief of Police, submitting report of gas lamps not lighted during quarter ending Sept. 30th, the number being 138. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From H. H. Gore, for leave to erect frame stable on Richmond street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From F. G. Widdows, asking reason why City Hall was lately refused him.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, that the communication be filed.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Rapley, seconded by Ald. Ross, that it be received and laid on the table for present action.

Moved by Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ald. Christie, "That inasmuch as this Council at its last meeting refused the use of the City Hall for a lecture to be delivered by Rev. F. G. Widdows, ex-Monk, and he having asked an explanation why it was refused, and inasmuch as this Hall is the public property of the citizens of London, this Council does not wish to give further answer than that as the City Hall is public property, this Council does not deem it advisable to let the Hall to any person, or class of persons, whose object is to decry or defame any class of our citizens, or to stir up ill feeling amongst them."

The original motion and amendment were withdrawn, and that of Ald. Fitzgerald carried.

The quarterly account from the City Gas Co., amounting to \$2,055.78, was re-

ferred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

Ald. Partridge, sr., chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works:

The question of leasing the piece of property on York street, which was granted to the Hon. Mr. Leonard some years ago, the Board think it advisable to make arrangements with Mr. Leonard to lease the same, paying a yearly rent. It was moved and seconded that the chairman report to the Council, recommending an agreement be made with Mr. Leonard for a rental of \$100 per year, under a lease. Carried. Progress was reported in regard to opening up certain streets on the bank of the river.

Moved by Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Alp. Partridge, that the report be referred back to the committee to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor. Carried.

Ald Egan then submitted the following regular report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

Your Committee beg leave to report that the petition of Brantton & Bawden, and that of Hinton & Portwood, referred to your Committee, recommend that said petitions be not entertained, being contrary to the existing by-law.

The following accounts were passed, and referred to the Finance Committee:—J. Scanlan, pasturage of one horse, \$3.00. Geo. Crofulta, life protectors, \$15.

Also, that the Chief Engineer reports the tanks filled and in good state of repairs.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Egan then introduced the report on water works, but owing to its great length, it was decided not to read it in its entirety until members had been supplied with printed copies.

The discussion of the report was postponed until next Monday evening.

A by-law for levying taxes in the City of London for 1877, was read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

A by-law to provide for the levying of the rate for street watering for 1877, was read a first, second and third time, and finally passed.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the Finance Committee be empowered to act with the County Council in the matter of Court House improvements or enlargements. Carried.

Ald. Browne moved, seconded by Ald. Minhinick, that the first clause of the by-law relating to the appointment of the visiting staff to the City Hospital be amended as follows: "And that all other legally authorized medical practitioners in the city be allowed the privilege of attending any patient that may require their services (if they are willing to attend), or that they may send to said hospital as paying patients, subject to the rules and regulations of the said hospital other than what the above-named medical men are called upon to do by virtue of their appointments as a voluntary staff."

The motion was referred to the Hospital Committee to report.

Ald. Minhinick suggested that the new Chief of Police be supplied with printed copies of city by-laws, with instructions to put them in force.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, that the Printing Committee be empowered to have 200 copies of the city by-laws printed.

Alds. Sutherland and McNab suggested that the by-laws be consolidated.

Ald. Campbell's motion passed.

The Council adjourned.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Nov. 5th, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Regan, Hixcox, Minhinick, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Egan, Partridge, jr., Partridge, sr., Skinner, Williams, Thompson, Campbell, McNab, Boyd.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Mrs. Chisholm, on behalf of Protestant Home, for a sidewalk from the terminus of the street railway to the Home. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Hallam, Toronto, asking to forward petition relative to abolition of tax exemptions. On motion, petition was ordered to be forwarded.

An account from J. Cameron & Co., \$48.50, was referred to the Finance and Assessment Committee.

Ald. Egan then submitted the report on the new water works scheme, and on motion the same was considered in committee, His Worship retaining the chair.

The clerk read the printed report.

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, the adoption of the report,

and that a by-law be prepared for submission to the ratepayers.

Ald. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the submitting of the by-law be laid over for two months.

Ald. Fitzgerald, with the consent of his seconder, withdrew his amendment.

The report was then unanimously adopted, and the committee rose and reported; after which the report was adopted in Council without opposition.

Ald. Partridge, sr., asked power to call for tenders for the erection of a heating apparatus in the City Hall. Granted.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the Board of Works be requested to examine different sections of the city thoroughly with a view of recommending to this Board the propriety of constructing new sewers or drains where necessary. Carried.

Ald. Partridge, jr., drew the attention of the Board to the dangerous state of William street, between Grosvenor and Cheapside, owing to clay being removed from each side of the street for use on the park.

On motion the Board of Works was ordered to attend to the matter.

The Council then adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Nov. 12th, 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen, to consider the water works by-law, was held at the usual time and place, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Skinner, Ross, McNab, Browne, Michinick, Rapley, Christie, Hiscox, Egan, Partridge, jr., Boyd.

The by law, which will be found in another column, was then read by the City Clerk. The by-law stipulated that the sum of \$325,000 shall be appropriated for the building of the works; designates the persons who shall act as Returning Officers; names the places where the respective polls shall be held; determines that the voting on the by-law shall take place on Friday, the 14th December, and that at the same time the following questions shall be voted upon: For or against the proposed water works; For or against the proposed mode of construction (the by-law being drawn in favor of the Council building the works.)

On motion the Council went into Committee of the Whole, Ald. Jones in the chair,

The by-law then passed its first reading.

On the second reading—

Ald. Murray moved that the by-law be read clause by clause. This was done. On the second clause—

The clause then passed. Clause 3 passed without discussion. Clause 4:—

On a motion to adopt, Ald. Fitzgerald moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Murray, that "Dec. 14" be struck out, and "Jan. —" inserted instead.

The clause passed. The remainder of the clauses passed without discussion.

The by-law then passed its second reading—the third and final reading to take place after the voting by the people.

The by-law to determine how the works shall be constructed was then read three times and passed.

The committee then rose and reported, and the report was adopted in council.

Mr. Meredith explained that application will be made to the Ontario Legislature at its first session, asking that the compulsory section be made optional. He had no doubt that the Act would be amended accordingly.

The Board then adjourned.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Nov. 19th, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber, at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Regan, Hiscox, Minninnick, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Thompson, Skinner, Ross, Boyd, Egan, Williams, Jones.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Wm. Saunders and about 20 others, calling the attention of the Council to the order of the Chief of Police regarding the obstruction of sidewalks by signs, and asking that the same be allowed to remain. Referred to Board of Works, the question at issue to lay in abeyance until the Board reports.

From Robt. Howard, for a gas lamp on the corner of Pail Mall and Miles streets. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From John Tennent and others, for a plank sidewalk from Horton street to Bathurst, on the east side of Colborne. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Croden and others, complaining of the dangerous and disgraceful condition of the southern part of No. 3 Ward. Referred to Board of Works.

From J. E. Lemieux, Ottawa, soliciting orders for official debates of House of Commons. Referred to Finance Committee.

From A. G. Robinson, on behalf of the Mechanics' Institute, asking the Council to pass by-law regulating the uses for which the City Hall can be granted, and that hereafter it will not be placed in competition to private enterprises. Referred to the Finance and Assessment Committee.

From John Bonsor, tendering his resignation as returning officer for the water works by-law. Fyled.

From Rev. P. McDonald asking that 248 Talbot street be exempt from taxation. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Mrs. Thos. Iaster, for exemption from taxation. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the Pastor, Stewards and Trustees of Grace M. E. Church, in reference to the late refusal of the City Hall to Rev. Mr. Edmunds for a lecture by Mr. Viddows, and now praying the Council to grant the hall (upon payment of the usual fee) for the evening of the 28th inst.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Partridge, jr., that the communication be fyled.

Ald. Ross moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Browne, that the prayer of the petition be granted.

The original motion carried.

Ald. Egan reported verbally from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, that the quarterly gas account be paid, less \$100 deducted for lamps not lighted.

Ald. Hiscox, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

1st, That having examined the following accounts, would recommend them to the Finance Committee for payment, as follows: Moorhead, sweeping chimneys, \$2; Smith, bread, \$3 63; Evans, cab-hire, 50c.; Bartlett, stoves, \$20; Tytler and Rose, groceries, \$111 91; Taylor, meat, \$57 94; Ranahan, bread, \$38 15; Mrs. Woodward, milk, \$23 25; McCallum, medicine, \$50 35; Grant, servants' wages, \$47; McKenzie, dry goods, \$15 60; Sloan, coal, \$48 56; Pratt, flour pots, \$2 77; Collins, ice, \$15; Fraser, blacksmithing, \$4 55; Angus, shirts, \$22 50; Shafer, repairing surgical instruments, \$6 75. Total, \$470 46.

2nd, The Report of the Relief Inspector for the month of October to the poor of the following wards, distributed as follows:

	Cash.	Wood.
Ward No. 1.....	\$ 2	
Ward No. 2.....	14 50	
Ward No. 3.....	7 50	3 cords.
Ward No. 4.....	5	4 cord.
Ward No. 5.....	4	1 cord.
Ward No. 6.....	18 20	
Ward No. 7.....	5	
	\$56 20	5 cords.

3rd. The report of the Hospital Steward was examined and fyled for reference.

4th. Your Committee would recommend the sum of \$200 be placed as their credit.

Received and adopted

In reply to Ald. Campbell,

Ald. Partridge, sr., said a report on broken fronts in No 1 Ward would be submitted at next meeting.

Ald. Campbell submitted the auditors' quarterly statement, and on motion the same was ordered to be printed as follows:

Abstract statement of receipts and disbursements of the City of London, for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1877.

RECEIPTS.

Amount reported last quarter	\$105,920 63
John Blair, collector, '66 '98	
James Taylor " " 1873	17771 00
Hospital acc' paying patients	476 78
Rate of street to Becher	600 00
Market rent	952 00
Hospital grant from Government	1390 80
Livery stables	95 00
Cabs	30 00
House and store rents	100 00
Temperance license	50 00
Bagatelle	40 00
School trustees, Government grant, rents	2039 85
Tavern and store license, from Inspector	6917 52
Fish market	30 00
Wood market	33 25
Market stalls from butchers	31 00
Exhibitions and concerts	207 00
Theatre license	80 00
London & P. S. Railway Co.,	

rent from G. W. R. R. Co.	4440 10
Government portion Clergy reserve fund	893 97
Weigh scales, from Winnett	124 89
Shooting gallery	10 00
	37060 26
Balance	142980 89
	55338 92
	\$193,519 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount reported last quarter	161144 61
Interest account	474 63
County of Middlesex use of Jail	1000 00
London, Huron & Bruce R.R. Coupons	3030 00
Administration of Justice for witnesses	121 70
Insurance account	127 00
School trustees	654 15
Bank Commerce on acc. 1876	1244 77
Board of works	519 43
City Hall expenses	244 25
Registry office	21 74
General improvements	430 50
Gas Company account	1680 50
Provincial Fair buildings	2949 13
Park Committee	103 82
Police department	370 93
Fire department	334 11
Watering streets	1690 60
Water Works	7 25
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	296 67
Hospital account for July	476 02
Incidental expenses	2 00
Board of Health	7 00
Relief to poor	71 45
	34375 20
	12859 81

Audited, compared with books and vouchers and found correct.

A. G. SMYTH }
B. SCHRAM } Auditors.

London, Ont., 9th Nov., 1877.

Ald. Ross moved, seconded by Ald. Partridge, sr., That a clause be inserted in the water works By-law, providing for the building of the same by a company.

The motion was then withdrawn.

Ald. Hiscox gave notice that he would move at a subsequent meeting that the Railway Committee of this Council confer with the G. W. R. authorities and endeavor to make arrangements for the building of tunnels under the street crossings at the G. W. R. for the safety of our citizens.

Council adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Dec. 3rd, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour. His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Thompson, Murray, Jones, Fitzgerald, Regan, Ross, Minhinnick, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Skinner.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From Ald. Hallam, Toronto, relative to tax exemptions. Referred to Finance Committee.

From J. Raynor, resigning position as chimney sweep. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From R. Lewis and 32 others, for land for skating rink. Granted.

From John Donnelly, asking for compensation for damage to vegetables, etc., by water running into his cellar. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Donnelly and Wm Howard, asking the Council to settle with them for ditching on William street. Referred to Board of Works.

A petition from Widow Mulrooney and 25 other decent widow women, was read, asking for a few loads of wood, etc. The communication contained many disgusting allusions to the different Aldermen who supported the granting of the hall to the ex-Monk. Mr. Abbott's position, when reading it, was an awkward one.

From D. Skirving, and others, asking for the use of City Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec 11th, for lecture by Mr. F. G. Widdows.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the petition be referred to the Finance Committee.

Ald. Ross moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Browne, that the prayer

of the petition be granted, on payment of current expenses.

The vote was then taken with the following result: For the amendment, 7; against, 13; for the original motion, 13; against, 7.

Ald. Sutherland called for the yeas and nays:

Yeas—Sutherland, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Thompson, Murray, Regan, Hiscox, Minhinnick, Christie, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr.—13.

Nays—Gray, Jones, Skinner, Ross, Browne, Rapley, Williams.—7.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your Finance Committee beg to report: That they have been interviewed by the Committee of the County Council with reference to the maintenance of prisoners in jail. The County Council asks the Corporation to pay 60 per cent. of the costs. Your Committee decline to pay this amount, but would respectfully recommend that this Council pay 50 per cent. of the amount required.

After a short, unimportant discussion the report was adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman, submitted the following report from the hospital and committee:

The first clause recommended the payment of the monthly accounts, amounting to \$353.09.

2nd. The report of the Hospital Steward was examined and fyled.

3rd. The report of the Relief Inspector, expending \$52 cash and 29 cords of wood, distributed to the poor of following Wards, was adopted as follows:

Ward No. 1, cash, \$2, wood, 4 cords.
Ward No 2, cash, \$13; wood, 3 1/2 cords.
Ward No. 3, cash, \$15; wood, 7 1/2 cords.
Wards No. 4, cash, \$1; wood, 1 cord.
Ward No. 5, cash, \$5; wood, 8 1/2 cords.
Ward No. 6, cash, \$12; wood, 4 1/2 cords.

Ward No. 7, cash, \$4. Total, cash, \$52; wood, 29 cords.

4th. Your Committee would also recommend that tenders be asked for fitting up gas in the Hospital; the pipes being already laid throughout the building, the cost would be trifling.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Partridge, sen., Chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works:

1st. The petition of the Managers of the Protestant Orphans' Home and others for a sidewalk on Richmond street, your Committee beg to report that they regret their inability to grant their request this year, owing to want of funds.

2nd. The petition of William Saunders and others was duly considered. It was moved and seconded that all cross signs and posts, and all other obstructions on

the sidewalks and streets, be removed in accordance with the by-law.

3rd. The petition of the members and others of Gospel Hall, asking for sidewalk. Your Committee regret their inability to grant their request owing to want of funds.

4th. In the matter of the petition of Mr. Joyce relative to broken front lot, beg to report progress.

The report was considered clause by clause, but the report was finally adopted as presented.

Ald. Rapley moved, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the Printing Committee be instructed to have the by-law inserted in the three city papers.

Whilst Ald. Williams was speaking to the resolution, it was found there was not a quorum present, so the Mayor left the chair and the Council stood adjourned for a week.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Dec. 10th, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Murray, Jones, Regan, Huscox, Ross, Minihinnick, Browne, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Egan, Rapley, McNab, Skinner, Fitzgerald.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read—

From H. Strong, for leave to put up frame wood shed within fire limits. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From A. T. McCord, President of Toronto Eye and Ear Infirmary, asking for aid to enable them to secure a building of their own. Referred to the Hospital and Relief Committee.

The following accounts were referred to the Finance Committee: A. S. Murray, regulating clock, 12 months, \$25; Dr. Moore, medical attendance, \$2.

Ald. Jones, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Market Committee:

1st. Your Committee recommend that the City Clerk advertise for tenders for the market basement for 1878. Separate tenders to be in by six o'clock, December 22nd, 1877.

2nd. The city in future to keep the Market Square clean.

3rd. In the 15th clause of the market by-law the words, "and no preference to be given whatever," added to said clause.

The report was taken up clause by clause.

Clause 1 passed.

Clause 2—

Ald. Thompson moved, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the lessee be compelled to keep the Market clean.

Moved in amendment to the amendment by Ald. Minihinnick, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the chairman be authorised to advertise for tenders for fees of Covent Garden Market, the lessee to keep the market clean; also for tenders for fees, the city to keep the square clean; also for tenders for cleaning the market.

The vote being taken, Ald. Thompson's amendment was carried.

Clause 3 passed.

The report was received and adopted.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

1st. The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts and found them correct, and would recommend payment of the same: Hospital account for Oct. \$470 46; Hospital account for Nov. \$353 09; Fire Department, \$1,336 63; incidental expenses, \$24 89; relief account—railroad orders, \$46 05; sundries, \$24 15; potatoes and turnips, \$136 90; Registry Office account, \$3; Police Station department, \$19 72; Detectives clothing, \$75; Exhibition Ground, paid Scragg, \$15; Board of Health, \$1 50; water works, Meredith for bill, \$100, stamps, \$33; E. A. Taylor, for stationery, \$61 50; John Cameron & Co., for printing, \$48 50; City Hall expenses, \$10 50; city gas account, \$1,650. Total, \$4,409 89.

2nd. Your Committee has considered the petition from the Secretary of the Mechanics' Institute, asking this Council not to grant the City Hall, except for public purposes where all the citizens are alike interested. After carefully considering the petition your Committee would recommend that in no case the Hall be granted free of charge, and that in future a fee of \$20 per night be charged for the summer season, and \$25 each night for the winter. Summer term to commence

on the 1st of May, and end on the 31st of Oct. Winter term from 1st November to the 30th of April.

3rd. Your Committee also considered the petition of Mr. D. Skirving and others, asking the use of the City Hall for F. G. Widdows to lecture, beg to report that after giving the matter their careful consideration, they would respectfully recommend that the course pursued by this Council be sustained, and would advise no further action in the matter.

4th. Your Committee would ask this Council to agree to the assignment made by Thomas Tracy to Arscott Mountjoy of store under City Hall; and that the said Mountjoy be allowed possession subject to the conditions of the lease to Tracy.

The report was taken up clause by clause.

The first clause (embracing all the accounts) passed without discussion.

Clause 2—

Ald. Thompson moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Ross, that where either of the Orphans' Homes apply for the hall, it be granted free.

The clause was adopted.

Yeas—Sutherland, Campbell, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Jones, Skinner, Regan, Minninnick, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr.

Report of Hospital Committee received and adopted—omitted above

REPORT OF THE HOSPITAL AND RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg to report as follows:

1st—That the sum of forty dollars be granted to Mrs. Weller and family, to pay passage to England, it being an extreme case of destitution, and recommended by a deputation of the Women's Christian Association.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. T. HISCOX, Chairman.

London, Dec. 10, 1877.

Nays—Thompson, Ross, Browne, McNab, Rapley.

Clause 3—

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that the clause pass.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Ross, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the prayer of the petition be granted.

A vote was then taken, and the amendment lost.

The clause of the report was adopted—*Yeas*—Sutherland, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Murray, Thompson, Regan, Christie, Boyd, Egan, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr.

Nays—Gray, Jones, Skinner, Ross, McNab, Browne, Rapley, Williams.

Clause 4 passed.

By Ald. Fitzgerald—That the resolution passed at a previous meeting of this Council, deciding that no advertisements be given to the *Tizer* newspaper, be rescinded, so far as relates to the giving of advertisements, and that hereafter that paper shall be entitled to the same amount of patronage as the other city newspapers.

By Ald. Campbell—That the by-law appointing a Street Commissioner be repealed.

By Ald. Browne—That the by-law appointing Assessors be repealed.

The Council then adjourned for two weeks.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Dec. 24th. 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship mayor Pitchard in the chair, and the following members present:—Aldermen Sutherland, Gray, Fitzgerald, Murray, Skinner, Ross, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Partridge, jr., Partridge, sr., Jones, McNab, Minninnick, Campbell, Williams, Hiscox, Regan.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read:

From R. Carswell, Toronto, soliciting orders for consolidated statutes. Referred to printing committee.

From Knipple & Morris, London, Eng. with reference to tendering for water works. To be held by the Mayor unto election of commissioners.

From Isaac Thompson, asking to be appointed chimney sweep. Referred to fire, water and gas committee.

From D. J. Mackenzie, County Clerk, regarding repairs to court house and jail. Referred to finance committee.

From City Solicitor, enclosing by-law to amend market by-law and respecting water works by-law. Fyled.

From A. J. B. Macdonald, on behalf of John Stevens, for compensation for wagon burned on market on the 14th. Referred to Finance Committee.

From B. J. Briody, on behalf of "Our Boys" Committee, for free use of hall for assembly on night of Jan. 8th. Fyled.

From Cornelius Green, for exemption from statute labour tax. Referred to Finance Committee.

From E. Adams and other merchants, for privilege of placing goods on sidewalk for shipment. Referred to Police Commissioners.

From Rev. O. G. Collamore, that his residence be exempt from taxation. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Anne Loveless, for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Jane Darch, for a sign post to remain on sidewalk. Referred to Police Commissioners.

From A. J. Robinson, secretary of Mechanics' Institute, for exemption from whole year's license fee.—Moved by Ald. Jones, seconded by Ald. Murray, that the Mechanics' Institute be allowed the license for the license year for the sum of \$40. Carried.

From Jane Harris, for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Becher, Street & Becher, on behalf of I. B. Burwell, relative to sale of St. James' Park.

On motion, Mr. Street was heard before the council to explain the foregoing communication.

Referred to the Finance Committee, with power.

The following accounts were read: Plummer & Son, wood, \$2 25, referred to Fire, Water & Gas Committee. Henry Winder, quarter's rent of southern pound, \$12 50; T. Peel, police clothing, \$166 80; M. D. Dawson & Co., printing and advertising, \$220 17; R. Berry, five tables burned on market square, \$10 75—referred to Finance Committee.

The official return of votes on the by-law for the construction of water works was read and fyled.

Ald. Jones, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Market Committee:

Having advertised for tenders in the usual way for the lease of the market and basement, recommend the following as being highest tenders: Market, Wm. Magee, jr., \$5,260; basement, Wm. Smiley, \$450.

Ald. Jones explained that the amounts received were about \$600 over the sum the market was let for last year.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your Finance Committee beg to report in the matter of the maintenance of prisoners in jail, that after having several interviews with a deputation from the County Council and considering the matter fully and carefully, your Committee would respectfully recommend that the corporation pay fifty five per cent. of the cost of the maintenance of said prisoners, forty-five per cent. to be paid by the county.

Your Committee would further report that the deputation from the county submitted a plan prepared by the Council and City Engineer of improvements and additions to be made in the Court House.

Your Committee would recommend

that the plan be accepted by this corporation, and that we pay fifty per cent. of the cost, the other fifty per cent. to be paid by the county, our Engineer to act with the County Engineer in the matter.

Received and adopted.

A by-law to amend the by-law relating to the public market was read three times and passed.

A by-law for the appointment of polling places and returning officers for the next municipal election was read three times and passed.

Ald. Hiscox moved, seconded by Ald. Regan, that the Railway Committee confer with the G. W. R. authorities relative to constructing bridges or tunnels at the street crossings, which are now hoar-ly obstructed by the Company's trains. Carried.

The Board then adjourned until Wednesday evening, the 26th.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Dec. 26th, 1877.

A special meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Council chamber at the usual hour, for the purpose of finally passing the water works by-law. His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Alds. Campbell, Gray, Murray, Skinner, Regan, Ross, McNab, Minhinnick, Browne, Rapley, Christie, Williams, Boyd, Egau, Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Sutherland and Thompson.

The by-law providing for the construction of water works in the city of London was read a third time and declared finally passed.

A by-law authorizing the construction of water works and confirming the above was read a first, second and third time and finally passed.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Rapley, that January 9th, 1878, be appointed a day for the nomination of gentlemen to fill the position of water works commissioners. Carried.

Ald. Campbell gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the Council he would move that the sum of \$600 be appropriated as a salary for each of the commissioners.

The Council then adjourned till next Monday.

City Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Dec. 31st, 1877.

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Pritchard in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Campbell, Gray, Skinner, Regan, Hiscox, Ross, Browne, Christie, Williams, Boyd Partridge, sr., Partridge, jr., Thompson, Minhinnick, Sutherland, Jones, McNab.

The minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed.

A communication was read from Peter Adamson, Goderich, on behalf of Huron Council, asking (1) co-operation for establishment of a House of Refuge in this Province for persons suffering from incurable diseases; also (2) that \$100,000 of the Government surplus be appropriated for drainage throughout the Province. (1), Left in the hands of the Mayor to deal with; (2), referred to Board of Works.

A by-law appointing Wm. Magee, jr., Market Clerk for 1878 was read three times and declared finally passed.

A by-law to fix the remuneration of Water Commissioners and to provide for the election of the same was read a first time.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Sutherland, that the sum of \$600 be inserted in the blank left in the by-law as the salary of the Commissioners.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Minhinnick, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the consideration be \$1.

The amendment was carried.

The by-law then passed its first, second and third reading, and was finally adopted.

Ald. Hiscox gave notice that he would move at next meeting to change the by-law appointing visiting surgeons of the Hospital, in order that the names of surgeons may be placed in the by-law in the stead of those retiring.

Ald. Brown moved that the by-law appointing assessors be rescinded.

The Council adjourned for want of a quorum.